

REMARKS

The Examiner has continued to reject the claims as being obvious in view of the prior art.

However, all of the elements of the present claims are not present in the cited references.

For example, claim 1 has a camera drive control unit that is "operative to take two different control states consisting of a first control state . . . and a second control state under which said camera unit is driven to move . . . to have said micro-computer unit recovered from said frozen state".

Claim 8 has similar language with respect to the holder drive control unit.

These drive control units are respectively responsive to not only the micro-computer unit, but also, to the control state setting unit. This occurs even when the micro-computer unit itself is frozen.

The pan and tilt controls of Sergeant et al. are only responsive to the microcontroller.

The pan control of Smith is similarly only responsive to the "control circuit" and has no alternate mode of operation if the control circuit is frozen.

The camera controller of Kawai is only responsive to the communications controller and has no alternate mode of operation if the communications controller is frozen.

Shibata has no pan or tilt controller and just teaches a watchdog timer for directly resetting a microcomputer.

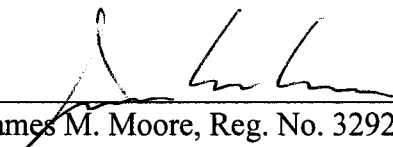
The cited references cannot be combined to form the present invention. It is respectfully submitted that the claims are patentable over the cited references.

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that that application is now in condition for allowance and notification of same is requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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